

June 18, 2012

Monica Martinez
Executive Director
Homeless Services Center
115 Coral Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060
TRANSMITTED VIA EMAIL AND FACSIMILE TO: 831.316.5010

re: ADA/FHA/Section 504 disability accommodation request for representation

## Dear Ms. Martinez:

I am writing to make an immediate disability accommodation request under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 (of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) and the federal Fair Housing Act (FHA). In order to allow me to benefit equally and enjoy equal access to the programs, services and activities — as a disabled person — of the Homeless Services Center (HSC), I am requesting this ADA, FHA and Section 504 disability accommodation.

Specifically, I ask you to waive your requirement that I receive a court ordered request for John E. Colby, Ph.D., to serve as my representative and advocate with regard to the HSC. Instead I ask you to accept the certificate I signed — it will be resent — authorizing Mr. Colby to become my representative and advocate with regard to the HSC's programs, activities, services and its staff and agents.

Because of my disability — I suffer from for which I take dulling pain medications; I am bound to a wheelchair — I need someone to translate my needs, conditions, and desires to HSC staff. I need someone to serve as a translator for me.

The HSC should have documentation of my disability. If you require more information or documentation from me please contact me in writing at the postal address or fax number listed above.

I appreciate your prompt consideration of this immediate request. Please respond in writing to the postal address or fax number listed above. Thank you for considering my legal rights under the ADA, the FHA and Section 504 in a timely fashion.

Sincerely yours,

Steve Lazow